

CHAPTER NO. 837

HOUSE BILL NO. 2449

By Representatives Bittle, Stulce, McCord, Tidwell, Curtiss

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2400

By Senator Ramsey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-302, is amended by adding the following new subsections:

(f) The agency may sell advertising in any magazine or other publication of the agency, under terms and conditions to be set by the agency. The revenue generated from such advertising shall be deposited exclusively in the wildlife resources fund provided in Section 70-1-401. Any person or entity purchasing such advertising shall include an appropriate disclaimer, as determined by and subject to approval of the agency, to insure that the appearance of such advertising in an agency publication does not constitute, directly or indirectly, any endorsement by the agency of any products, services, companies, organizations, or other matters referenced in the advertising.

(g) The agency may sell the right to include advertising in mailings sent by the agency, including but not limited to licenses, under terms and conditions set by the agency, provided that any advertisers must comply with the disclaimer requirements of subsection (f). The revenue generated from such advertising shall be deposited exclusively in the wildlife resources fund provided in Section 70-1-401.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-401(a), is amended by inserting prior to subdivision (1) after the language "in payment of licenses," the language "advertising,."

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-401(b), is amended by inserting after the language "from the sale of licenses," the language "advertising,."

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-2-104, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(c) (1) The license fee discounts and exemptions provided in subsection (a) shall apply to qualified residents of Tennessee who apply for such discounts or exemptions prior to the effective date of this act.

(2) For qualified residents of Tennessee who have not applied for such discounts or exemptions prior to the effective date of this act, there shall be imposed a one-time ten dollar (\$10.00) fee for such license; provided, that such fee shall not apply to the exemption granted in subitem (4)(A) of subsection (a).

(3) Any qualified resident of Tennessee who has applied for such discount or exemption prior to the effective date of this act may nevertheless make a voluntary payment of the one-time ten dollar (\$10.00) fee and upon

making such payment shall be issued a license in accordance with the provisions of this section.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, Chapter 2, Part 2, is amended by adding the following new section:

70-2-225. The commission is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations establishing permit fees for camping and other recreational activities on public lands under the agency's management or control and on agency lakes.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-2-212, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(c) The agency is authorized to impose reasonable charges to defray expenses for stocking fish in private ponds. The charges may reflect the agency's costs for raising and transporting the fish along with other associated costs.

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-2-204, is amended by adding the following new subsection to be designated as subsection (b) and appropriately redesignating existing subsection (b):

(b) Each person claiming a license exemption under subsection (a) shall provide identification and shall submit a sworn affidavit at the time of presenting any game or wildlife to any officer of the agency or to any check station containing information sufficient to demonstrate that such person has complied with the requirements of subsection (a). The commission shall publish rules specifying the form of identification and the information to be contained in the affidavit and shall prepare a pre-printed form for convenience of use. Submission of false information in this affidavit is a Class C misdemeanor.

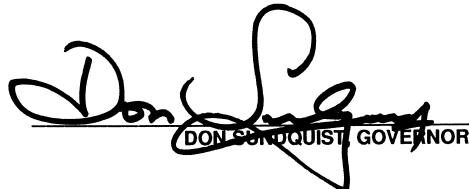
SECTION 8. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 17, 2000


JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 24th day of May 2000


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